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WRECK OF THE LOCH SLOY

Island.

Twenty-Six Out of the Thirty Per-

sons on Board Lost Their

Lives.

VANCOUVER, B. C., June 15 .- Mail ad-

vices from Australia give details of the

loss of the British ship Loch Sloy and

twenty-six lives on Kangaroo Island,

news of which was briefly covered by ca-

ble from Adelaide, South Australia, May 9.

The vessel was driven in the dark on the

scrubby and almost uninhabited shore

which blocks the entrance into St. Vincent

gulf. Only one passenger and three sailors

out of the thirty souls succeeded in saving

their lives. The rest were lost in the boil-

ing surf. The survivors wandered for

days, seeking vainly for help. They lived

upon water and provisions cast ashore from

the wrecked ship. When found they were

in a pitiable condition. Their clothing consisted of a few rag; and a shirt each. The

run out again, and struck heavily. An enor-mous sea was running. Mitchell says that from the time the ship struck Capt. Peter Nicholl never moved off the deck, but stuck

to his post. Within fifteen minutes of the time she struck all hands were washed

overboard. Two women passengers, Mrs. Leichter and Mrs. Cartlidge, a widow, climbed the masts and showed no fear. The masts were washed down in a few

The masts were washed down in a lew minutes. Kilpatrick and Simpson were un-able to swim, but floated ashore on a bar-rel. Mitchell swim ashore with McMillin. All four survivors were thrown on the rocks within two yards of each other.

MORE ARTILLERY PRACTICE.

Orders Issued for the Use of Addi-

tional Ammunition.

Department for additional artillery prac-

tice with the great coast guns. Each bat-

tery of heavy artillery has been instructed

to begin July 1, to fire ten rounds of 8-inch

ammunition and five rounds of 10-inch am-

munition every year, in addition to its

present allowance. Under previous orders

the expenditure for ammunition was lim-

ited to fifteen rounds for the 3-inch breech-

loading rifle, ten rounds for the 8-inch muz-

zle-loading rifle, ten rounds for the 10-inch

smooth bore, eight rounds for the 15-inch

smooth bore and three rounds each for the 8-inch breech-loading rifle, 10-inch breech-

rifle. The increase in the allotment for ammunition for target practice is expected

WILL BE SENT TO PARIS.

Models of the Maine, Oregon and Olympia Will Be Seen at Exposition.

Arrangements have been made to send to

the Paris exposition of 1900 the models of

several American warships that served in

the war with Spain. They will be included

in the exhibit of the Navy Department in

the United States government building,

feature of the exposition. Among the

models will be those of the ill-fated battle

ship Maine, the premier battle ship Oregon

and Admiral Dewey's flagship, the cruises

Olympia. These models are now on exhibi-tion in the corridors of the Navy Depart-

ment and are objects of great interest t

nd Nashville expositions and were much

THE ALASKAN BOUNDARY.

No Official Confirmation of Certain

Reports From London.

No official confirmation of the reaching of

an arrangement providing for the tem-

porary delimitation of the Alaskan bound-

ary, as reported yesterday in the London

cables, has been received at the State De-

partment. It is gathered that a responsive

answer has not yet been received from

Canada by the British government to the

American definite proposition. At any

rate, the British government has not made

by the statement from London to the effect

that the arrangement said to have been

over until the high commission meets in

August, it may be stated that any arrange-

over, as the record published of the last

proceedings of the high commission shows that the Canadian side refused to discuss

any other questions until the boundary

issue was adjusted, it is to be presumed that they will adhere to that decision, and

that the boundary question must be removed from the field of discussion by a modu

CAPT. BARKER RELIEVED.

Admiral Watson Takes Command of

the Asiatic Squadron.

Kong, and being on his own station, took

command of the Asiatic squadron, reliev-

ing Capt. Barker of the Oregon, who has

been in charge since Admiral Dewey sailed

from Manila. Capt. Barker will return to

the United States on a mail steamer, and will probably be placed on leave and then

on waiting orders, having seen much ardu-

ous service for the past four years, twice in command of the Oregon and then as a

GREATER THAN SUPPOSED.

The Success of Tuesday's Military

Operations in Cavite Province.

According to a cable message received

from Gen. Otis early this morning, the suc-

cess of Tuesday's military operations in

Cavite province was greater than was at

first supposed. The following is the text of Gen. Otis' message: "MANILA, June 15, 1899.

'Adjutant General, Washington:
"Success Lawton's troops Cavite province

greater than reported yesterday. Enemy, numbering over four thousand, lost in kill-ed, wounded and captured more than one-

treated south to Inus; their arsenal of five pieces of artillery, three captured; navy

country rejoiced at deliverance and wel-come with enthusiastic demonstrations ar-

rival of our troops. OTIS."

Another dispatch from Gen. Otis is as

"MANILA, June 15, 1899.
"Adjutant General, Washington:
"Prominent Philippino, friendly to Americans, assassinated at Cebu. Inhabitants that locality urgently requested American protection in stronger force; have sent bat-

talion Tennessee and two guns from Iloilo which insures peace. Hughes now in charge of affairs in that section. OTIS."

Prof. Locke Richardson Dead.

BERLIN, June 15 .- Prof. Locke Richard-

son, the elocutionist, died here today. His

emains will be cremated in this city.

remainder much scattered; have re-

greatly on shore of bay landing

nally; inhabitants in tha

"MANILA, June 15, 1899.

member of the war board.

Admiral Watson has arrived at Hong

the commission.

as a condition for the meeting of

ment ratified by this government is likely to be limited in such fashion. M

a conclusive answer on its part

Orders have been issued from the War

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TWO CENTS.

MORE MEN FOR OTIS

Five Thousand to Be Added to the 30,000 De red.

TO ENLIST VOLUNTEER REGIMENTS

The Administration Ready to Sustain Him.

MAY HAVE MORE TROOPS

Gen. Otis has repeatedly stated that he needed only 30,000 men to completely control the military situation in the Philippines. The President has always stood ready to give him everything he needed for the enforcement of his plans in the Philippines, and has assured him several times that he could have more men if he needed them. Up to within the last few days the plans of the administration did not contemplate any increase in the army in the Philippines above the limit of 30,000 specified by Gen. Otis. Recent events, however, have convinced the authorities of the advisability of stretching that limit to 35,-000 men, and the War Department is mak-

ing arrangements accordingly. The action of the President in giving Gen. Otis more men than he has asked for was taken after full consideration of the military situation in all its phases. The extra 5,000 men will be added to his army as a precautionary measure to guard against possible inroads on his forces by disease incident to the hardships of a campaign in a tropical climate in an unhealthy season. Such conditions now confront the American troops in the Philippines, and will naturally have the effect of reducing the effective strength of the army to a greater or less

To Raise Three Volunteer Regiments. It has therefore been decided to increase

the army of occupation to 35,000 men, and as one step in that direction General Otis has been authorized to recruit three skeleton volunteer regiments from among the volunteers now in the Philippines under orders to return home for muster out. He has already assured the department of the practicability of this arrangement, but has as yet given no details. The three regi-ments will be in excess of the regular army of 65,000 men, and will be organized under the authority of the statute giving the President discretion to increase the army President discretion to increase the army to 100,000 strong by the organization of 35,000 volunteers. It is estimated at the War Department that about 2,000 of the volunteers now in the Philippines will enlist in the new regiments, leaving only about 2,500 additional recruits to be forwarded from the United States to complete

the organizations.

The President has informed General Otis that the officers for these regiments will be appointed upon his recommendation. They will be selected from the officers in the reg-ular army and in volunteer regiments who have shown their courage and capacity in have shown their courage and capacity in the arduous campaigns in the Philippines. In addition to the regimental and staff offi-cers, seventy-two lleutenants will be re-quired for the three new regiments. So far as possible these will be selected from among the men who have rendered good service in the Philippines.

Otis Can Have More Men.

Adjt. Gen. Corbin said this afternoon that the President is doing everything in his power to uphold Gen. Otis in the Philippines, Gen. Brooke in Cuba and Gen. Davis in Porto Rico, and is prepared and willing to give them everything they ask for. As to the army in the Philippines, Gen. Corbin said that Gen. Otis could have had more men if he had asked for them. With full knowledge of the situation, he indicated however, that 30,000 men were sufficient for his purpose, and in giving him 5,000 men in excess of that number the President has merely acted in a spirit of precaution, and with the sole idea of encouraging and assisting Gen. Otis in the prosecution of his campaign, and with no idea that he has underestimated the necessities of the situa

With the regular troops now in the Philippines and those urder orders to proceed there. Gen. Otis will have an effective army of 30,000 men, and the three volunteer regi-ments and recruits to be forwarded from this country will swell the total to about 35,000 men. As a general principle, it is regarded better that Gen. Otis should have more men than he needs rather than that he should have not enough for a promp and vigorous prosecution of his plans. In-creasing the company strength from 112 to 128 men will add about 2,000 men to the army in the Philippines.

All the volunteers who re-enlist in the

three new regiments will receive, on the day of their enlistment, travel pay allowances, amounting in each case to about \$450, and at the expiration of term of enlistment, will be forwarded to their homes at the expense of the government.

The Plan of Reinforcement.

The approved plan for the reinforcement of the army operating in the Philippines is briefly stated by a high official of the War

Department as follows: "The increase of the size of the com panies with Gen. Otis to 128 men to the company was made from 3,100 men, heretofore the Hospital Corps, which the controller has decided may be enlisted, over and above the 65,000 men provided by law. In addition, the 24th and 25th Regiments of Infantry have been ordered to Manila and Gen. Otis has been authorized to organize three skeleton volunteer regiments in Ma-Gen. Otls has informed the department that he can organize these regiments It is proposed to send him recruits from here to fill them to their maximum limit The arrangements referred to will give Gen. Otis a fighting force of over 33,000 men of the line. These plans have been approved by the President and will be put execution with the least possible de-

Ammunition for Rapid-Fire Guns. The War Department is preparing to send to Gen. Otis 6,000 rounds of ammunition for six-pound rapid-fire guns. These guns were turned over to the War Department by the navy for the purpose of arming the transports during the early portion of the war. They are now in use in the Philip-

pines, and are considered a very effective gun for use against the Filipinos.

Transports Rechartered. The quartermaster's department has rechartered the Zealandia and the Valencia, transports now at San Francisco, to be used to carry troops to the Philippines These transports belonged to the Pacific coast fleet, but it was thought they would no longer be required and they were put out of commission. But as there are several transports at Manila to bring home volunteers they cannot be made available some time to carry the regular troops that are ready to go to Manila.

Invitation to the President.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 15.- The Ohio Society of California will today send to President McKinley an invitation engraved on a plate of gold, asking him to become the guest of that organization in this city. The society is already raising a fund for his entertainment, it being generally be-lieved that the chief executive will visit the Pacific coast later in the year. AT THE WHITE HOUSE THOUSANDS OUT OF WORK R. P. BLAND IS DEAD

British Ship Went on Rocks of Kangaroo The President's Itinerary of His Trip to New England.

PRESENTATION OF CANAL COMMISSION

Invitation to G. A. R. Encampment At Philadelphia Accepted.

CALLS BY PUBLIC MEN

President and Mrs. McKinley will leave Washington late tomorrow afternoon for Holyoke, Mass., where they go to attend the commencement exercises of Mount Holyoke College at South Hadley. Their niece, Miss Grace McKinley, will graduate from that institution this year. The trip will occupy from ten days to two weeks, and in many respects will be one of the names of the survivors are:

Wm. Mitchell, able seaman; Wm. John
Simpson, apprentice; Duncan McMillin,
able seaman; David Kilpatrick, passenger.

Mitchell said that the Loch Sloy drifted
so close to the rocks that she could not be most interesting of those recently taken by the President. About 10:30 o'clock Saturday morning Holyoke will be reached, where the President and Mrs. McKinley will be the guests of William Whiting, one of its leading citizens and formerly representative in Congress. Arrangements have been made for a parade of trades organizations and other associations Saturday afterncon. This will be reviewed by the President. Monday morning the President and Mrs. McKinley and their guests will attend Ivy day exercises at Smith College, North-ampton, in the afternoon holding a public reception in that city. Later a visit will be paid to Mount Tom. Tuesday morning the party will attend the commencement exercises at Mount Holyoke College, South Had-ley, and that afternoon a reception will be given to the people of South Hadley and surrounding towns. Wednesday morning the President will leave for Springfield, where an interesting program has been arranged for his stay, including a drive through the principal business and residential streets of the city, a luncheon and a public reception. It is expected that Governor Wolcott and also the lieutenant governor of Massachusetts, the mayors of covernor of Massachusetts. ernor of Massachusetts, the mayors of sev-eral cities, and other prominent state and city officials will be present at most of the xercises at the different points, Wednesday afternoon the party will go to Adams, where the President and Mrs. Mc-Kinley will spend a few days with Mr. and

Mrs. W. B. Plunkett. Mr. and Mrs. Abner McKinley, Miss Ma-Mr. and Mrs. Abner McKinley, Miss Ma-bel McKinley, Mr. and Mrs. George E. Morse of San Francisco, relatives of the President; Assistant Secretary and Mrs. Allen, Acting Secretary Cortelyou, Mr. Ru-dolph Forster, stenographer, and Dr. Rixey, the President's physician, will accompany the party. It is possible that there may be a few additions to this number. loading rifle and the 12-inch breech-loading to have good results in improving the marksmanship of the artillerymen.

be a few additions to this number. The Canal Commission Presented.

Notwithstanding the semi-official statement made yesterday that the President wanted as much time today as possible to give to executive affairs before leaving for New England, there was a great rush to the White House this morning. Most of those in waiting remained in that condition of expectancy until informed point blank that the President would not see any more visitors. The President desired to have the ness was pressing.

Eight of the nine members of the interoceanic canal commission were presented to President McKiniey this morning, Admiral Walker being at their head. The commission organized this morning and elected Admiral Walker president. Exvisitors. They are perfect fac similes in miniature of the warships they represent. They were displayed at the Omaha, Atlanta Senator Pasco was the only absentee. The commission went from the White House to the State Department for a conference with Secretary Hay.

Admiral Walker said that he would appoint a secretary, and that the commission would soon decide on a plan of work. The admiral remarked that it is probable the commission will go to Central America by mail steamer. It will spend some time here accumulating data. It is understood that he commission will accept the figures of the Walker commission as to the Nicaraguan canal.

Some Other Callers.

Other public men who saw the President were Representatives Pugh, Faris, Joy and Hepburn, Senor Quesada and Director Merriam of the census bureau.

The President talked for some time with the four representatives, reading them bul-letins from the Philippines. He appeared to be pleased at the dispatch of Gen. Otinarrating the complete victory over the largest and best-equipped Filipino army which has yet met the American forces. In spite of the fact that the Filipinos re appear at all times with their fighting clothes on, the administration firmly be lieve that the insurgents will soon tire of fighting and will seek peace.

Director Merriam says he is rapidly mak-

ing up the lists of supervisors for the different states. Some of the states have been completed, but others are open, because of the inability to agree upon the men to be appointed. Senor Quesada, the special commissioner of the Cubans to this country, had a conference with the president as to affairs in

Mr. Quesada believes

everything is moving along smoothly. President Will Go to Philadelphia. Gen. Louis Wagner and J. P. Nicholson representing the G. A. R. of Philadelphia oday extended the President an invita tion to attend the national G. A. R. en campment in that city in September. The President promised to be present. The committee visited all the members of the cabinet and extended invitations.

The friends of Capt. H. L. Street, ex-commander of the U. V. U., will be glad to commander of the U. V. U., will be glad to learn that an order has been issued retaining him in the volunteer service as a cap-tain of the commissary department. Capt. Street has received orders to depart for the Philippines and will arrange to leave in a Presidential Appointments.

The President has appointed John S. Edwards of Junction, Mont., Indian agent at Crow agency, and Alfred Cypreansen of Eau Claire, Wis., register of the land office at Eau Claire, Wis.

HEAT ONLY TEMPORARY.

Cool Wave Chasing Itself in the Direction of Washington. Although the heat started off at a pretty

good gait today, and by afternoon was making itself felt very unmistakably, the weather bureau forecasters insist that it is but a temporary spurt and will not last long. It is said that it cannot continue or miliar conditions which make a hot wave

On the contrary, there are evidences of cooler weather close at hand. All through the west and northwest the temperature ranged in the 60's this morning at 8 o'clock and westerly breezes were blowing. A cool area seemed to overspread that part of the country, and there was every prospect that it would settle down in this vicinity very

would be cooler tonight than last night and much cooler tomorrow than yesterday The highest reading yesterday was 90, about o'clock in the evening. The temperature went down after that, and at 6 o'clock this

Prospect in Colorado if Smelter Employes' Strike Continues,

Railroad Men, Miners and Others Dependent on the Refineries for Their Employment.

DENVER, Col., June 15 .- Thirty thouand men in Colorado will be out of work within the next three days unless steps are taken to end the strike of the smelter employes.

The Omaha and Grant and the Globe in Denver, the Bimetallic and the Arkansas Valley at Leadville, the Eiters and the Colorado smelters at Pueblo are closed. The Argo in Denver has complied with the eight-hour law and is still running.

The Guggenheim smelter at Pueblo also is running. The closed works are under guard, but nowhere have the men made any demonstration. At Central City the men employed in the

stamp mills are expected to strike today. These mines have already closed: The Commodore, Amethyst, Bachelor, Bachelor No. 2 and Last Chance mines, in the Creede district; the Calliope and Hagerty at Ouray, the Carribean and Montezuma near Ophir, the Iron Mask and Black Iron at Red Cliff, the Smuggler at Aspen. The Porter Fuel Company at Durango

has closed, throwing 150 men out of work. From all parts of the state come reports that mines are reducing forces. At Leadville 900 men have been discharged. Should the mines close all over the state ,000 railroad men will be thrown out of nployment. Four mines of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company, three near Canon City and one in Pitkin county, have been shut down on ac-count of wage differences.

CENSUS BUREAU BUILDING.

It Will Be Located on B Street and Will Extend From 1st to 2d.

The director of the census today accepted the offer of Mr. Matthew G. Emery, made through Mr. Charles J. Bell, the president of the American Security and Trust Company, for the erection of a building for the use of the census office. The new structure is to be located on the southern portion of square 574, bounded by B street and 1st and 2d streets northwest. The 1st street front adjoins on the south the building formerly occupied by the District offices. Mr. Emery proposes to erect a structure one story high covering 96,000 square feet of ground. One portion of the structure, which will be occupied by the administration portion of the census office, will be two stories in height. The entire structure is to cost between \$100,000 and \$125,000. A lease is to be made for the property for a term of five years and a half. It is underterm of five years and a half. It is understood that the yearly rental will be about \$25,000. The work of erecting the building will be begun at once, and it will be completed at as early a date as is possible.

The settlement of this matter closes one of the vexations questions which confronted the administration of the census office from the outset. The director, Mr. Merriam, reached the conclusion that economy of effort in the work would be reached by of effort in the work would be reached by having the entire force under one roof. In this position he was sustained by many of expectancy until informed point blank that the President would not see any more visitors. The President desired to have the day to himself, but was disappointed, as there were a number of callers whose busing the position was disappointed, as there were a number of callers whose busing the position was sustained by many of this sort. The difficulty lay it, securing a structure in this city of the required size that could be leased for such a purpose. A number of propositions were submitted. uildings were offered and also property owners proposed to erect any building re After giving all the careful attention, it was decided, as stated above, to accept the one made by Mr. Emery.

WORK ON PIER NO. 4.

Contract Awarded for the Repairs to the Aqueduct Bridge.

Arrangements have been made for the im-Colonel Allen, who has charge of the improvements of the Potomac river, has entered into a contract with the Central Contracting Company of New York for the resum of \$37,747. The contract calls for the completion of the work by November 30 Operations for the repair of pier No 4 were begun by the Houston Construction Company of Philadelphia, May 30, 1897, un-der a contract calling for the completion of the work by November 1, 1897. Subsequently, however, the date for the complethe work was extended to June, 1898. In April last, however, a controversy arose between Colonel Allen and the con-tractors, with the result that the contract was annulled, and work on the pier has been practically suspended ever since. The ontroversy arose over the desire of Colonel Allen to temporarily suspend the work of tearing down the pier until a conference could be had with the contractors. The war with Spain was then in progress, and it was Colonel Allen's desire to suspend the ork on the bridge in order to prepare for the heavy and increasing traffic to which the bridge would naturally be subject in consequence of the establishment of a large military camp at Dunn Loring, Va. The contractors did not seem willing to make any satisfactory arrangements for the proposed suspension of the work, and the con sequence was that their contract was annulled in May last. It is expected that the work will be prosecuted vigorously under he new contract and completed if possible during the present calendar year.

THE FIRST TENNESSEE.

Officers and Men Justified the Great Expectations of Them. Lieut. Col. Gracey Childers, commanding the 1st Tennessee Volunteers, in a detailed report, gives the commanding general in the Philippines an account of the action of that regiment in the first fighting about Manila. The regiment participated in the battle which drove the insurgents from the pumping station. Fighting was not very serious, and although they chased insurserious, and although they chased insurgents for two miles they could not bring them into any decisive engagement. Afterward the Tennessee regiment went to Hollo, where it was the first to land and assisted Gen. Miller in the capture of that place. Col. Childers speaks in high terms of the coolness and bravery of the men.

Maj. B. F. Cheatham, who com sanded a battalion of the regiment that was not under Col. Childers, and which took an active part in the first engagement with the insurgents about Mania, also commends the men under him. These troops were not resisted very much, and they had no losses in the engagements reported.

in the engagements reported. Maj. Cheatham says: Maj. Cheatham says:

"Comment upon the action of the officers and men under me is not necessary at this time, except to say that in every particular they justified my great expectations of them; what they were told to do they did well and without a moment's hesitation; not one instance of shirking or looking for a soft place came under a motion. The not one instance or snirking or looking for a soft place came under my notice. The fire upon us was mostly from cover and from long range, but in the tasses of sev-eral insurgents killed in my sight the marksmanship of our men was excellent."

Dr. Thompson May Stay at Miami. OXFORD, Ohio, June 15 .- Dr. W. O. Thompson, president of the Miami University, was yesterday elected president of the Ohio State University, at Column went down after that, and at 6 o'clock this morning started in at 72 for the day's climb.

By 8 o'clock it was at 80, and by 10:30 at 85, but was four laps behind yesterday's record of the same heur.

The trustees of Miami University increased the salary at Ohio State University, and it is now thought that President Thompson will remain here.

CLOUD BURST IN TEXAS

Missouri Representative Passes Peacefully Away at His Home.

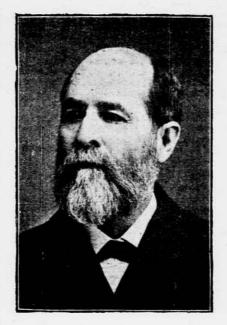
HAD BEEN SICK LONG TIME

End Came This Morning After a Prolonged Sleep.

FUNERAL ON SATURDAY

LEBANON, Mo., June 15 .- Representative Richard Parks Bland died at his home near Lebanon at 4:30 a.m. today, peacefully and without apparent suffering.

Mr. Bland returned home when Congres adjourned in March and soon suffered a relapse from an attack of the grip. For more than two months he had been confined to his home, and his health has grad-



ually declined. He thought he would not survive the attack from the first, and showed his thorough knowledge of his condition. On the 3d of this month Mr. Bland suddenly grew worse, his sons, who were in school, were summoned home, and for the first time the public was informed of his critical condition

Showed Signs of Improvement.

From time to time since the patient howed signs of improvement, but he coninued to grow weaker. Sunday and Monday he presented an improved condition and Monday afternoon strong hopes for his ecovery were entertained. About 10 o'clock Tuesday night, however, ne fell asleep and continued in that condi-

tion until death. The funeral will take place at Lebanon at 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Mr. Bland's remains will be placed in the Opera House tomorrow and will lie in state for twenty-four hours. The funeral will be conducted by the Masonic order, and all the ministers of Lebanon will be present to

Famous Democratic Politician.

Richard Parks Bland has been one of the most famous men in the democratic party for many years. He was a man of peculiar force and was regarded by his asso ciates as possessing a high order of ability mediate resumption of work on the defect- He was well informed on general question ive pier, No. 4, of the Aqueduct bridge, and was a frequent participant in debates, being a forceful though not an eloquent

speaker.

He was so closely identified with the sil ver question, however, that he was regarded in the light of a specialist, and thereconstruction of the damaged pier for the fore got less credit for his ability in other directions than he might be regarded as entitled to. He was a man of the most democratic tendencies, simple, unaffected, and as rugged and plain as an old farmer Though fluent and very emphatic as a debater, he was not much of a talker in a end of a conversation. His disposition was amiable and he was regarded with a sort of affection by many of his old associates in Congress and by the old employes of

Candidate for President. His standing in the party was affirmed in 1896, when for several weeks prior to the meeting of the Chicago convention he was looked upon as the probable candidate of the democrats for the presidency. He was the strongest candidate before the vention until Bryan appeared suddenly in the field. When Bryan was nominated Bland accorded him most cordial support It was some little time after the conven tion, however, before some of the most radical silver men recognized that Bryan was as radical a representative of the sil ver issue as Mr. Bland, and for a of the silver dollar champion's defeat. Thi was removed by the cordiality of Mr. Bland's indorsement of Mr. Bryan as a suitable champion of the cause.

Native of Kentucky.

Mr. Bland was born in 1835, in Kentucky and in his youth received an academic education. He removed to Missouri in 1855 and then went to California and Nevada where he engaged in mining operations. He returned to Missouri in 1865 and began the practice of law. He was sent to Congress in the Forty-third Congress and served con-tinuously until the end of the Fifty-third, when he was defeated. He returned in the Fifty-fifth and was re-elected to the nex

Congress,
During his service in the national legisla ture Mr. Bland was conspicuous for his de-votion to the cause of silver coinage. In the campaign of 1878 for the remonetization of silver he was given the name of "Silver Dollar" Bland. The records of Congress teem with speeches he has made in behalf of the white metal.

In the Forty-fourth Congress he intro-duced the famous Bland bill, subsequently known as the Bland-Allison act, which provided that the Secretary of the Treasury shall purchase sufficient bullion to coin the minimum amount of \$2,000,000 per month into standard silver dollars.

Personal Mention Mr. Chas. E. Burg, formerly of this city, as been commissioned captain of Company G. 1st New Mexico Infantry, by Gov. Otero

This regiment has been offered to the Pres ident for service in the Philippines. Mr. Herman Schrot is taking a trip through Buffalo, Niagara Falls and Can-

Mr. and Mrs. Claudius B. Jewell and Miss Mr. and Mrs. Claudius B. Jewell and Miss Jewell will leave the city tomorrow for England. They expect to spend the summer and early fall in a leisurely trip through England and Scotland. Mr. Jewell, who is a member of the Capital Camera Club, will take a camera with him.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond L. Burke have gone to Takoma Park for the summer.

Pensions were granted today to the folowing residents of the District of Colum-na: Isom Taylor, \$8; Ross Birch, \$8.

Immense Volume of Water Pours Down From Mountains.

Southern Pacific Tracks Near Spofford Junction Completely Inundated-Cattle Washed Away.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., June 15.-A special to the Republic from San Antonio, Tex., says: A cloud burst occurred in the mountains north of Spofford Junction Tuesday night, about midnight. The immense volume of water rushed down the mountain side, sweeping everything before it and converting dry arroyos and small creeks and rivers into raging torrents and completely flooding the valley and level country below.

At the sheep ranch of M. L. Butler every living thing was swept away, and the entire Butler family, consisting of father, mother and two children, are reported to have perished. Henry Carver, on the cattle

ranch lower down, was drowned. The Southern Pacific track was washed away in a half dozen places, and two large bridges were completely destroyed. At 1 clock Wednesday morning the bridge over the Pinto river was swept away. The water is flowing four feet deep over the track in many places. The Southern Pacific west-bound Mexico and California trains were turned back at Cline. The trainmen report that the wires are-down and that the water s still pouring over the track with tremendous force. The distance between the main washouts is about twenty miles, and it is impossible to gain any idea of the extent of the damage between these two points. There are many rumors of loss of life, but it is impossible to get particulars until the water subsides. It is certain, however, that there has been great damage to cattle and sheep ranches.

SITUATION AT MANCHESTER, KY. Whites and Howards Exercise Censorship Over Correspondents.

LEXINGTON, Ky., June 15.-Returning soldiers have disclosed the fact that the Whites and the Howards exercised a close censorship over the news sent out from Manchester during the stay of the troops. They told correspondents they would be killed if they sent out reports that the Bakers could not get a fair trial there.

When Tom Baker was shot the correspondents were on their horses ready to leave. Thinking the Whites would carry out their threats, they rode to London as fast as their horses could carry them and sent a courier back to Col. Williams for particulars. Having learned that several couriers had been searched on the road, the colonel hid the message in the clothing of the man, and when several of White's fol-lowing stopped and searched him a few

miles from town they found nothing.

Charles F. Wooten, one of the Howards' victims, and who was badly shot last year, was confined in jail, and when Tom Baker was killed he left his bed and staggered over to Col. Williams for protection, saying the Howards would finish him if he remained. Col. Williams gave him protection and took him on his horse to the home of friends several miles from town.

THE STRIKE AT CLEVELAND. Street Cars Running as Usual, With

day of the street railway strike opened without unusual incident. Cars on the Euclid avenue line are running at fourminute intervals, and on the Wade Park ine, which was opened yesterday, a sixminute schedule is in operation. The company this morning opened the Cedar avenue line, with cars running at irregular intervals. The streets present their usual appearance, and no crowds are collected at

he car barns. There is nothing to indicate that a strike on, save the unusually large number of olice on the streets. No disturbance is notice for. The men still deny that the They will strive by public meetings an means to enlist public sympathy

ALL THE PRISONERS RELEASED.

Unique Situation at Xenia, Ohio, Over Hitch in Council.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, June 15 .- A specia from Xenia, Ohio, says: A unique condition of affairs exists here owing to the refusal of the city council to provide money for meeting the expenses of the workhouse The board of directors of the workhouse passed a resolution, ordering that all pris oners confined there should be release from custody and work on the stone pile in definitely suspended. Twenty-eight prison ers will be released.

NORMAN WILLIAMS VERY ILL. Prominent Chicago Lawyer is Down With Bright's Disease.

CHICAGO, June 14.-Norman Williams, he well-known lawyer and capitalist, is at the point of death at his summer house Little Boarshead, Rye Beach, N. Y. Mr. Williams has been a sufferer from Bright's disease for three years. Since April, when he went to Rye Beach, he has been failing gradually, and advices to friends and relatives in Chicago last night were to the effect that he was only occa-sionally conscious, and his condition was extremely critical. Mr. Williams has been a member of th Chicago bar for upward of thirty-five years. He is sixty-three years old. One of

ANNUAL CONVENTION OF ELKS, Great Time Expected in St. Louis Beginning Tuesday.

his daughters is the wife of Major Ger

ST. LOUIS, Mo., June 15 .- The annua convention of the Grand Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks which will begin here Tuesday, June 20, will be the largest and most important ever held by that body. Thousands of members of the order from every state in the Union are expected, and the hotels have had most of their rooms reserved. On Wednesday there will be a grand parade in which it is expected 8,000 Elks will participate. Prizes amounting to more than \$12,000 have been provided. Of this amount \$3,500 will be paid to the six lodges coming the greatest distance and having th making the best appearance in the parade and drill contest prizes aggregating \$3,650 have been provided. Twenty-five bands will contest for \$1,750, divided into prizes.

Movements of Naval Vessels. The Standish has sailed from Norfolk for Annapolis. The Hercules has arrived at The Charleston has sailed from Hong Kong for Yagasaki. The Concord has arrived at Hong Kong. The port. The Zafiro has sailed from Hong Kong for Manila. The Prairie has arrived at Baltimore to take out to sea the Mary-land Naval Militia. The Detroit has been ordered under repair at New York navy

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Returning Prospectors Give Good Account of Gold Output.

DELAY IN SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS

Great Activity at Dawson City Since the Fire.

NO EXODUS FROM THE CITY

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., June 15 .-The upper Yukon river is now open for navigation, and the steamer Flora, which left Dawson May 25, arrived at White Horse June 3. One of her passengers, Wm. C. Allen, who arrived on the steamer Alki, reports the Yukon river open for navigation at Dawson on May 17, nine days later than last year. The trip was made without difficulty until Lake Marsh was reached, where the ice had to be cut in order to get through. He reports forty-two loaded scows at Tagish. Between Tagish and Benrett fifty more seews were passed, all oaded and bound for Dawson. Since the big fire Dawson has been the scene of business activity. Saw mills have been running day and night, but have been unable to supply the demand for lumber. Every man who can drive a nail has secured employment.

Season is Backward.

The season was somewhat backward this year, and as a result the clean-up did not ommence until a short time before Allen started out. He says what little was known of the results of the clean-up was most satisfactory, and claim owners were jubilant. Many predict that the output of gold this year will far exceed expectations

of the most sanguine.

Allen says the report of the exodus from Dawson for Cape Nome is mythical, as the strike at that place had not reached Daw-son when he left. latest news from Atlin brought or

The latest news from Atlin brought on the Alki states that the open mining season has again been postponed from June 15 to July 1. Gold Commissioner Graham gives as a reason for causing this delay that a large number of claims are in dispute, and that he will not undertake the settlement of the questions of the title until the arrival of the minister of mines or his representatives, who will hear the cases and pass upon them.

pass upon them. Delay Causes Stagnation.

The delay in settlement causes a stagnation of business, as many of the best claims are tied up. Those who have been working claims are reticent about giving out the result of their work, but it is known that some of the claims are turning out fairly well. Bert Farrar took out seven pounds of gold in six days on his Pine creek laim. Fritz Miller, owner of Discovery, on Pine creek, took out \$20,000 with seven men in two days, and Mr. McCauley took out twenty-five ounces with a rocker in one day from a bench claim on Nugget hill, and other claims are reported as showing well. Non-Union Men.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, June 15.—The sixth lay of the street railway strike opened

A considerable quantity of wreckage was found west of Sitka, near Cape Edgecomb, on June 3 by a Russian hunter. The wreckage consisted of polished oak timber, having the appearance of being the inside finishing of some vessel's cabin. A party has left Sitka to bring in the wreckage ascertain if possible the name of the ves-sel. The wreckage had not been long in

the water. TALK OF THE FLAG.

Gen. Anderson and Col. Turner Address Chicago Audiences. CHICAGO, June 15 .- Several hundred wo-

men, members of the Chicago Chapter of the Daughters of the Revolution and guests. celebrated Flag day yesterday. The speakers of the day were Gen. Thomas M. Anderson, commander of the Department of the Lakes, and Col. Henry L. Turner of the 1st Illinois Volunteers.

Gen. Anderson was introduced as the man who led the first military detachment to the Philippines.

He recalled the scene which faded from view as the vessel bringing him and his command steamed out through the Golden Gate from San Francisco, in which the flag was the most important feature; of seeing myriads of American flags waying over Hawaii, which was not then annexed to the United States, and finally seeing the stars and stripes floating over Dewey's ships in Manila. He described some of the means of torture employed by the Spanish, and to these he attributed the present trouble in the Philippines. In this regard, he

said: "No wonder, then that the Filipinos often ebelled and fought desperately for their freedom. They had never been told the truth and had never known justice. When they found that we remained after the de-feat of the Spaniards they were made to believe that we would treat them just as

the Spaniards had done In his address on "Our Flag in Cuba and Porto Rico" Col. Turner discussed four points: How the flag was planted there, why it was planted there, its mission there and its results for humanity and the world. "The invasion of these islands was brought about by a spirit of pure benevsaid Col. Turner, "and the mission of the flag there is to educate and elevate the people up to the standard of American civilization. If this is carried out the result to the people themselves, to us and to the world cannot be estimated in making

the world cannot be estim for civilization and peace." WANT MILITARY WITHDRAWN.

Representatives of Labor Protest Against Situation at Wardner. SAN FRANCISCO, June 15 .- At a mass neeting held in Metropolitan Temple, un-

der the auspices of the Labor Council, Building Trades Council and affiliated unions, a strong protest was made against the maintenance of military rule at Wardner. Addresses were made by ex-Congressman Maguire, Judge Highton, P. H. Mc-Carthy and others.

Mayor Phelan and C. L. Patton sent letters of regret, expressing sympathy with the object of the meeting. Resolutions were adopted protesting against the acts of Governor Steunenberg and General Mer-riam, calling on President McKinley to "order the cessation of the usurpation of power by the military" and requesting the California representatives in Congress to ask for a congressional investigation ask for a congressional investigation

QUARRYMEN ON STRIKE. Extra Force of Deputy Sheriffs Sworn

in at Nyack, N. Y. NYACK, N. Y., June 15 .- A large number of men employed at quarries of the Rocks land Lake Trap Rock Company, Rockland Lake, struck for higher wages yesterday and threatened to destroy valuable property. Forty deputy sheriffs were sworn in. All were armed with rifles, as trouble was

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